

WRRRA Coaching Report

April 2014

2013 Coaching Clinics

I would like to welcome Craig Hennessy aboard as our newest CSI Learning Facilitator. Craig completed his required training this fall and will be a great addition to our team.

Coaching Clinics have been very successful this year. This year we had two CI-1/2 clinics (39 people attended), one CI-2 clinic (11 people attended) and three CSI clinics (81 people attended). We also completed evaluations certifying 6 new CI-Certified coaches.

We are planning to run a CI-2 in the spring to begin the process of getting all U12P and 'A' level coaches fully CI trained as per the new guidelines so it is not a big crunch in the fall. If an association would like to host a clinic please contact me and we can try and set something up.

I would like to thank Guelph, London, Dorchester and the Exeter and District Ringette Associations for hosting clinics this year.

New Professional Development Requirements

Effective January 1, 2014 NCCP has implemented a new Professional Development program to their coaching certification. The ORA Coaching Standing Committee will be working with Ringette Canada as to how best to implement these new requirements. Standby for further information as it becomes available.

Coaching Resources

A reminder that there are various coaching resources, such as sample practice plans and videos, available on the Ringette Canada website (www.ringette.ca). In addition, Ontario Ringette has developed 'Guides to Success' for U6 to U10 coaches and Associations. Ontario has also produced a 'Drills for Skills' index to help coaches quickly find effective drills to develop particular skills. These tools can be found at www.ontario-ringette.com => Coaching => Resources.

Coaches Conduct

Bench Staff are reminded of the code of conduct forms that they signed at the beginning of the season. We know you get excited. We understand that our players, coaches and officials are not perfect. BUT, abusive language and harassment of a player, official or coach will not solve the problem. If you, as a coach, wish to have a ruling explained please do so in a polite and courteous manner. YOU are setting the example to everyone including both the players on the bench with you and the parents in the stands. We have had a few issues during this past season and it is important that we all recognize that this sort of behaviour will not be tolerated. I am hoping to work with Officiating over the summer to try

and come up with ideas on alternatives to ensure that some of the issues we have had this past season do not reoccur in the future.

Questions?

Don't hesitate to contact me at coachwrra@wrra.ca, (H) 519-821-1778 or (C) 519-820-2077 with any coaching related questions. Enjoy the off season and see you all at the rink next year!

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